
Claims

1. A method of processing messages received by a device from a network, the method comprising:
 - 5 receiving a message that indicates that the device should be in a dedicated channel state, wherein the message is a message other than a reconfiguration message; and, in response to the message, clearing from the device any record of a cell identifier.
- 10 2. A method according to claim 1 wherein the dedicated channel is a Cell_DCH channel.
3. A method according to claim 1 wherein the reconfiguration messages consist of the following:
 - 15 Radio Bearer Setup message, Radio Bearer Reconfiguration message, Radio Bearer Release message, Transport Channel Reconfiguration message or Physical Channel Reconfiguration message.
4. A method according to claim 1 wherein the cell identifier is a Cell Radio
20 Network Temporary Identifier.
5. A method according to claim 1 wherein the message is one of the following: a Cell Update Confirm message or a URA Update Confirm message or a RRC Connection setup message.
- 25 6. A method according to any preceding claim wherein when the message is a message that indicates that the device should move into a dedicated channel state,

the method further comprises clearing from the device any record of a cell identifier before moving to the dedicated channel state.

7. A method according to claim 1 wherein when the message includes a new cell identifier, the method further comprises, in response to the message, not storing in the device any record of the cell identifier included in the message.

8. Apparatus for processing messages received by a device from a network, the method comprising:
receiving a message that indicates that the apparatus should be in a dedicated channel state, wherein the message is a message other than a reconfiguration message
and, in response to the message, clearing from the apparatus any record of a cell identifier.

9. Apparatus according to claim 8 wherein the dedicated channel is a Cell_DCH channel.

10. Apparatus according to claim 8 wherein the reconfiguration messages consist of the following:

Radio Bearer Setup message, Radio Bearer Reconfiguration message, Radio Bearer Release message, Transport Channel Reconfiguration message or Physical Channel Reconfiguration message.

11. Apparatus according to claim 8 wherein the cell identifier is a Cell Radio Network Temporary Identifier.

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12. Apparatus according to claim 8 wherein the message is one of the following: a Cell Update Confirm message, a URA Confirm Update message or a RRC Connection setup message.
- 5 13. Apparatus according to any of claims 8 to 12 wherein the apparatus is further arranged, on receipt of a message that indicates that the apparatus should move into a dedicated channel state, to clear from the apparatus any record of a cell identifier before moving to the dedicated channel state.
- 10 14. Apparatus according to claim 8 wherein the apparatus is further arranged, on receipt of a message that includes a new cell identifier, not to store in the apparatus any record of the cell identifier included in the message.
- 15 15. A mobile telecommunication device incorporating apparatus according to claim 8.